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File No 70-27

Previous References
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Later References
mc 7-23 [illegible] 47, 48, 53 52 & 56
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General and Revenue Secretariat.

Serial Nos S-x

Part B for March 1928

SUBJECT

re appointment of Mr H Keshava Murthy as the Chief officer to the Shimoga municipality

16 To the Dy Commissioner Shimoga.
L 5878 dy 24-3-1928
informing that the opinion is to be left to the discretion of the Dt

General and Revenue Secretariat. File No 70 of 1927

Serial No	
7	letter no C 2013/27-28 dated 28 11 27 from the Revenue Commissioner, stating that the D C Shimoga is prepared to take over H Kesavamurthy as the Chief Officer to the Shimoga mulky and requesting that the appointment may be approved 1) Mr H. Kesavamurthy has been proposed as the Chief Officer to the Tarikere mulky, and the draft G O is under submission to the Fourth Member, a 2) The main file, re appointment of a Chief Officer to Shimoga mulky, has been submitted to the Dewan on 24 11 27 Submitted in continuation 3) The Dewan may be asked to select another officer (First Member)
8	letter no A 3167 dated 1 12-27 to the Revy Comr requesting to propose another officer to Shimoga mulky as Chief Officer

Note—Cipln. speed

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General and Revenue Secretariat | In File No 70 of 192

Serial No 9

Letter no C 2013/27-28 dated 12 12 from the Revenue Commissioner, forwarding a copy of letter received from the D C Shimoga stating that the question of posting a Chief Officer may be considered after the question regarding ~~the meeting of~~ sources to meet the pay of the above officer is settled.

4) The proposal of the Govt in the matter may be awaited & approved

5) The Govt have repeatedly held that a moiety of the pay of Chief Officers may be met from State funds

Submitted for perusal & orders

16/12/17

6) The RC's letter is submitted for perusal when the Deputy Comr Shimoga was here some time ago he said he would find money for the ch Officer pay from the funds by some readjustments I shall write to him to do by & ask him whether he is able to do so and may the Taluk Development Board may be posted to Shimoga as Chief Officer

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draft is submitted for approval with reference to para 6 d 8 supra

DO 20/12/27

(Issue mc) 22/12

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DO 22/12/27

DO letter no L 36 44 mc 70-27-10 dated 21 12 27 to the D C Shimoga requesting that ~~send~~ proposals for the appt of a Chief Officer to the mcity may be forwarded

DO letter no A3 121 of 27-28 23 12 '27 from the D-C Shimoga stating that the mc Cl Shimoga have agreed to appoint a Chief Officer to the mcl and to meet the pay by some re-appropriation out of the mcl funds for the year and requesting that arrangements may be made to post Mr Kesavamurthy to the Shimoga mcity

The D C state that the mc Cl Shimoga have agreed to appoint a Chief Officer & to meet his pay from the mc funds

And it is requested that Mr Kesavamurthy, who is now a

NOTE—Contn sheet

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File No 70 of 192

Serial No

a Chief Officer in Travancore only may be transferred to Thuraya only & that Mr Reddiarudya may be posted to Travancore instead (Para 2 of the letter D.O.)

5233 27/12

But it is not certain whether the T C Chitaldrug would agree to the change proposed

The Revenue Commissioner has suggested in his letter 19 12 27 that Mr Reddiarudya may be posted to Thuraya only (flag O) submitted for personal orders

24/12 (27) The R C will be consulted I believe Mr Kesavamurthy has already gone to Travancore — 24/12

Joint Member) A C may be consulted no objection if both Govts agree Thanks 26/12

Draft enclosed "Garbin" Done 28/12

10 Letter no L 3780 70-27-10 dated 28 12 27 to the Rev Commissioner requesting that the opinion in the matter may be furnished

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NOTE—Cover Sheet

30/12/27

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General and Revenue Secretariat | ML File No 10 of 192 7

Serial No

Letter no C2013/27-28 dated 29 12 27 from the Revenue Commissioner proposing to appoint Mr H Kesavamurthy as Chief Officer to Shimoga Mcty and Mr Rudraradhya as Chief Officer to Davangere Mcty

Mr Kesavamurthy has not yet taken charge in Davangere Mcty

The Revenue Commissioners' proposal to appoint Mr Kesavamurthy to Shimoga Mcty may be ~~approved~~ sanctioned, and Mr Rudraradya may be appointed to Davangere Mcty

Draft is submitted for approval

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First Member
Chief Secy

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General and Revenue Secretariat — File No 70 of 1927

Serial No	
11	G O no 3927-30 ml 70-27-11 dated 6/1/28 to the D C Shimoga & Chitaldrug & the Rev Commissioner, Comptroller & to the Rev Dpt Sanctioning the appointment of Mr H Kesavamurthy as Chief Officer to Shimoga mlty & Mr Rudrarajadhya to Davangere mlty

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7/1/28

Letter no L 40415 ml 70-27 dated 12/1/28 to the D C Shimoga requesting to furnish his opinion on the proposal of transferring Mr Kesavamurthy to Davangere & Mr Rudrarajadya to Shimoga mlty

Letter also put up

Letter no A 3 121 /26-27 dated 16/1/28 from the D C Shimoga Stating that in the circumstances explained Mr Kesavamurthy may not be transferred from Shimoga mlty

The D C State that Mr Kesavamurthy will be more useful to the mlty in as much as he has sufficient experience in Revenue lines and that Mr Rudrarajadya will have to lose 25 Rs allowance if transferred to Shimoga

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Serial No

The Revenue Commissioners' Do letter dated 15/28 in the connection is put up with the file placed below. He suggests that Mr B Krishna Rao Chief Officer Kolar mcty may be transferred to Davangere and Mr Rudrararadhya to Kolar mcty.

A Telegram from the Pres. C.L. Sd Ramappa + Others of Shikaripur praying that Mr Rudrararadhya may not be transferred to Davangere is also put up in the file placed below submitted for perusal & orders

Sd
17/1/1928 AG

NOTE—Contn sheet

WD 0824 GPB—60 000—24-6-27

General and Revenue Secretariat — Mil File No 70 of 1927

Serial No

From the D C Shimoga, letter no A 3 PL 121/26 27 dated 20 2 28

Requests to be informed whether the officer appointed to the Shimoga Mlty as Chief Officer or Chief Revenue Officer as recommended by the Bde Council and that he is in favour of having a Chief Officer in the Mlty

The D C state that the distinction between a Chief Officer and Chief Revenue Officer is important with reference to ~~power~~ the election and that a Chief Officer can be a returning officer while the Chief Revenue Officer cannot

As the D C is in favour of having a Chief Officer ~~and~~ (para 4 last of the letter) the appointment may perhaps be defined as that of a chief officer.

Draft is submitted

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In para 4 of his letter, Mr. D.C says that Mr. Gwatkin as Member Medical should have a Chief Officer or a Chief Officer may be appointed to the Executive Council which will bring up April 1928, which seems to favour of a "Chief Officer"

He may perhaps be

Asst Member

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Yes
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Inform D.C that his proposal proposed reassessment after consulting the Executive Council

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draft as directed above, is submitted for approval

Mem approves draft

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Typed draft is put up

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Serial No

Jr Secy, Better to mark S/S that the Office is a Chief Office & not a Chief Rev Office & the Dewan & someone else Rev Offices or not as he considers best — leave it to him — so that — this may know what Salary & Allowances the Law Dept & the Dewans Dept is to be paid for Chief Offices

DR 8/3/28

Draft is submitted for approval according Ref is invited to the Dewans Dept dated 8 11 27 where only the Office is mentioned

DR 10/3/28 Joint Member Law Dept

DR 7/3 Draft seems alright DR 10/3

Submit to Dewan before issue (Chief Offices can draw extra more allowance under the Rules as better as framed SDC)

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(Dewan)

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DEWAN'S OFFICE Received on 20 MAR 1928

NOTE —Contn sheet

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General and Revenue Secretariat — File No 70 of 1927

Serial No	To
16	The D-C Shimoga Letter no 26578 Rml 70-27-16 dated 24 8 28 stating that it is open to that D-C to make him a returning officer or not & that he is appointed as Chief Officer

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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE

Bangalore, 28th November 192

My dear Madhava Rao,

With reference to Government Order No L.302-5/Ml 70-27-6 dated the 11th November 1927 regarding the Chief Officer of the Shimoga Municipality, I have discussed the matter with Mr Kesaviengar He is prepared to take Mr H Kesavamurthi, Deputy Amildar of Kumsi This appointment may be approved He will have to be treated in the same way as Mr B Krishna Rao

Yours sincerely,

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SUBJECT

Section ml
File No. 10 27
Serial No 78

No of letter replied to.

No L3167

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To

The Rev Commr of Bangalore

of issue 1-12-27

by Mr J K S Iyer

Sir, With reference to your le no C 2C 13/27-28 dated 29.1 stating that Mr H may be appointed to the Shimoga mnlty as Chief I am directed to state that Mr H Kesavamurthy ~~has been proposed as~~ appointed Chief Officer of the Davangere mnlty has also been appointed and to request you to be so good as to select another Officer instead as the Chief Offr of the Shimoga mnlty.

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for Secy to Govt

WD 0062 C.B.T.—21 000—17-8-25

3 DWo 2778 & 79

OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE

No C 2013 / 79 & 1 June

Dated Bangalore the 10th December 1927

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. [illegible] 70-27-79 dated 1st December 1927 re the appointment of an officer as Chief Officer of the Shimoga Municipality, I write to forward herewith copy of a letter from the Deputy Commissioner Shimoga District, stating that the Municipal Council have resolved to approach Government once again for sanctioning a moiety of the pay of the Chief Officer as the poor finances of the Municipality do not permit of the entire cost of the pay of the said Officer being met from municipal funds, and that till this question is finally decided by Government, the Municipality is unable to entertain a Chief Officer In these circumstances, no selection need be made now After it is decided to make the appointment Mr Rudrarâdhya Acting Amildar of Shikarpur who has some experience of Municipal work may be posted to Shimoga and a senior Amildar sent to Shikarpur

Yours sincerely,

H Ranga Rao, Esq., B A B L,
General Secretary to Government

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D O letter No A 3-121/26-27 dated 4th December 1927 from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District to the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore

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With reference to your D O letter No C 2013 of 27-28 dated 21st November 1927 requesting to intimate which Amildar I require for the place of a Chief Revenue Officer newly sanctioned for the Shimoga Town Municipality I write to state that the Government Order sanctioning the posts of a Revenue Officer and an Engineer for the Municipality was placed for the information of the Council at their meeting held on 30th November 1927 They have resolved that the Government may be approached once again to sanction the moiety of the pay of the Chief Revenue Officer as the poor finances of the Municipality do not at all permit of the entire cost of the pay ~~of the pay~~ of the said Officer being met from Municipal Funds The Municipal Council have further resolved to retain the services of Mr C B A Narasimhaiengar on a pay of Rs 200/- plus Rs 50/- as he is closely acquainted with the details of Water Supply arrangements In view of this there is no provision available in the Budget to meet the full pay of the Chief Revenue Officer The Municipal Council have accordingly resolved to submit the case once again for the favourable orders of Government Till this question is finally decided by Government the Municipality feels unable to entertain a Chief Revenue Officer In these circumstances I have to defer my proposing any Amildar s name for the place I am making a reference to Government and on receipt of their orders I shall submit my proposals in the matter

As regards the transfer of Mr N Kesavamurthy I would propose his being appointed as Amildar Shikarpur, and Mr Mudraradhya being posted as Chief Officer Mr Kesavamurthy is more conversant with Revenue work than Mr Mudraradhya who was all along in the Municipality of Bangalore As I have repeatedly urged Shikarpur Taluk is an important Taluk and requires an experienced Revenue Officer I shall be obliged if you can kindly

have these changes made

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for Revenue Commissioner.

M B H
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Serial No

No. of letter replied to

D O No L 36/44

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

My Dear Kehar,

Please see ~~Referring to~~ your D O letter no A3 131/26 27 dated 4/12/27 to the Revenue Commissioner stating that there is no provision in the budget of Bhimoja state to meet the full pay of a Chief Officer & that until the question of your deceased Commander's succession is decided, meeting the monthly charge of the pay the state feels unable to entertain a Chief Officer. I am to refer to what you were kind enough to say

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The Resident has sent a letter to the Political Secretary to the Government of India, with reference to your letter D O No 1361/44 dated 4/12/27 addressed to the Revenue Commissioner, Deccan & forwarded to you under his endorsement No 1361/44 dated 7/12/27.

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~~Bangalore~~ that you would find funds to meet the pay of the Chief Officer from the Mthly Reserve as a temporary ~~measure~~ measure enquire whether you are able to do so, and if Mr Ruthnaswamy can may be posted to ~~the Chief~~ Shimoga ~~Mthly~~ as ~~the~~ Chief Officer

Yours Sincerely

To The Dc Shimoga

Copy to Rc

Immediate

DO A3-121 of 27 28

DW 2957 of 27

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District
Dated Shimoga 23rd December 1927

My dear Mr Venkatesaiengar,

I am in receipt of your letter No L 3644 dated 21st December 1927

Regarding the question of the pay of the Chief Revenue Officer I had referred the matter for a reconsideration by the Municipal Council A meeting of the Municipal Council had been arranged yesterday but for want of quorrum it could not be held The meeting was however held this morning and the Council have agreed to appoint the Revenue Officer tentatively for the remaining period of the current official year on a pay of Rs 150- plus Rs 25 C A per mensem The amount required in this connection will be met by a re-appropriation of the sanctioned grants obtaining sanction of the Government if necessary

As regards the particular officer to be posted I should like to have Mr H Kesavamurthy, B A LL B the Deputy Amildar of Kumsi on transfer to Davangere as Chief Revenue Officer here also He is a Revenue Officer of some experience and for a Municipality like Shimoga it is very necessary to appoint a person knowing the details of revenue administration well Mr H Kesavamurthy had been a Taluk Sheristedar and has all along been in the revenue line and his experience will therefore be a great help to us I would request you to post Mr Kesavamurthy here and Mr Rudraradhya to Davangere in case his transfer can be conveniently arranged You will please note that as the Municipality has to bear the entire cost of the pay of the Chief Revenue Officer the Municipality have fixed his conveyance allowance at Rs 25/- per mensem and it will be seen that by posting Mr Rudraradhya to the Municipality he will be losing a sum of Rs 25/- per mensem

in his conveyance allowance as he has been getting Rs 50/- in Shikarpur On this ground also my proposal for the posting of Mr Kesavamurthy to this Municipality deserves favourable consideration I request that these proposals may kindly be sanctioned early

Yours sincerely

M Ramachandra

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SUBJECT

Diary No of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 28/12/27

Signed by Mr. M. Venkateshwaraya

Section ML

File No 70-27

Serial No 10

No L 3780 Enclosure

To The Revenue Officer

Sir, - With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. 12/11 re the appointment of Tamil

I am directed to forward herewith for an expression of opinion copy of the Official Memo No. NS-124 of 27-28 dated 23/12/27

List of enclosures

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the present Dc's agree. I am to ask further
~~the matter may be~~
treated as urgent

Thereto

Yours
for Secy

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OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE

No. C 2013/27-28

Dated Bangalore the 26th December 1927

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D O letter No C 2013/27-28 dated 12-12-1927 re the appointment of a Chief Officer for the Shimoga Municipality I write to state that the Deputy Commissioner Shimoga District has sent me a copy of his letter dated 20-12-1927 to the Under Secretary to Government in reply to his letter No L 3644 dated 21-12-1927 The Deputy Commissioner states that the Council have agreed to the appointment of Chief Revenue Officer till the end of the current official year on Rs 150/- plus 25 C a per mensem and suggests that Mr Kesavamurthy under orders of transfer to Davangere as Chief Officer may be posted to Shimoga as Chief Officer and that Mr Rudraradhya may be transferred to Davangere vice Mr Kesavamurthy I have no objection to the change proposed though I am somewhat doubtful of Mr Rudrarachya ability to manage a place like Davangere where there are factions some of which are dominated by members of his own community As Mr Rudraradhya has more experience of Municipal than of Revenue work he is better fitted for the place of Chief Officer I am agreeable to his being given a trial

Yours sincerely

N Madhava Rao Esq , B A B L
Chief Secretary to Government

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the Maharaja of Mysore

Read -

G O No 3184-6 Ml 158-27-7 dated the 2nd December 1927 appointing Mr H Kesavamurthy, Deputy Amildar of Kumsi as the Chief Officer, Davangere Municipality

2 G D No 2602-5/Ml 70-27-6 dated the 11th November 1927 approving the proposal of the Shimoga Municipal Council to -- have a Chief Officer in the Municipality

3 Correspondence ending with letter No C 2013 dated the 29th December 1927 -- from the Revenue Commissioner, regarding the posting of an Officer to Shimoga Municipality

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ORDER NO L 3927-30 Ml 70-27-11

Dated Bangalore the 6th January 1928

The Revenue Commissioner recommends -- approval to a proposal made by the Deputy Commissioner Shimoga District, that Mr Kesavamurthy, appointed Chief Officer Davangere Municipality in the Government Order read above be posted to Shimoga Town and Mr Rudraradhya Amildar Shikarpur Taluk, be posted to Davangere

The proposal is approved

No 5/1

For Gl Secry to Govt

To

The D/ Commr Shimoga
The Chitaldrug
Rev Commr in Mysore
Comptroller to Govt

Copy to Revenue Branch

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In all future correspondence please quote
No A 3 121/26-27 Enc One

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SHIMOGA DISTRICT

Shimoga Dated 14th January 1928

From

B T KESAVAIENGAR Esq B A
Deputy Commissioner
Shimoga District

To

R Ranga Rao Esq B A B L
General Secretary to Government
Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 4045-6/Ml 20-27-14 dated the 13th instant stating that it is proposed to post Mr T Rudraradhya to Shimoga and Mr Kesavamurthy to Davangere and requesting my opinion in the matter I have the honour to invite reference to Mr B T Kesavaiengar's D O letter No A 3 121/27-28 dated the 23rd December 1927 (copy enclosed for ready reference) from which it will be seen that the posting of Mr H Kesavamurthy to Shimoga instead of Mr Rudraradhya was recommended for the following reasons --

(1) The Shimoga Municipality required an officer with some revenue experience and it was thought that Mr Kesava Murthy who was a Taluk Sheristedar and had all along been in the revenue line would be more useful than Mr Rudraradhya whose service was mostly in the Bangalore City Municipality and

(2) The Shimoga Municipality has voted a sum of Rs 25/- only as conveyance allowance to the Revenue Officer and if Mr Rudraradhya was posted to Shimoga he would be entitled to receive a conveyance allowance of Rs 25/- only as against Rs 50/- that he is getting as fixed T A at Shikarpur

2 Besides Mr Kesavamurthy has already taken charge of his duties as Revenue Officer here on the 9th instant and his transfer to Davangere is likely to subject him to needless expense and inconvenience as he has already come and settled himself here and engaging a house for his residence in the extensions

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From

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D O Letter No A 3 121/27-28 dated the 23rd December 1927 from Mr B T Kesavaiengar Deputy Commissioner to Mr M Venkatesa Iyengar M A Under Secretary to Government Bangalore

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I am in receipt of your letter of 21st December 1927

Regarding the question of the pay of the Chief Revenue Officer I had referred the matter for a reconsideration by the Municipal Council A meeting of the Municipal Council had been arranged yesterday but for want of quorum, it could not be held The meeting was however held this morning and the Council have agreed to appoint the Revenue Officer tentatively for the remaining period of the current official year on a pay of Rs 150 plus 25 Conveyance allowance per mensem The amount required in this connection will be met by a re-appropriation of the sanctioned grants obtaining sanction of the Government if necessary

As regards the particular officer to be posted, I should like to have Mr H Kesavamurthy B A LI B the Deputy Amildar of Kumsi, who is now on transfer to Davangere as Chief Revenue Officer here He is a revenue officer of some experience and for a Municipality like Shimoga it is very necessary to appoint a person knowing the details of Revenue Administration well Mr H Kesavamurthy had been a Taluk Sheristedar and has all along been in the revenue line and his experience will therefore be of great help to us I would request you to post Mr Kesavamurthy here and Mr Rudraradhya to Davangere in case his transfer can be conveniently arranged You will please note that as the Municipality has to bear the entire cost of the pay of the Chief Revenue Officer, the Municipality have fixed his conveyance allowance at Rs 25/- per mensem only and it will be seen that by posting Mr Rudraradhya to the Municipality he will be losing a sum of Rs 25/- per mensem in his conveyance allowance as he has been getting Rs 50/- in Shikarpur On this ground also my proposal for the posting of Mr Kesavamurthy

this Municipality deserves favourable consideration I request that these proposals may kindly be sanctioned early

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"Copy"

Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District

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3 For these reasons I do not think it desirable to transfer him again to Davangere

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Subbarayappa

Deputy Commissioner,
(In charge)
Shimoga District

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In all future correspondence please quote
No A 3 121/28-27

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SHIMOGA DISTRICT

Shimoga Dated 16th January 1928

My dear Mr Ranga Rao

I saw your letter No 4045-6/M1 70-27-14 dated the 13th instant regarding the proposal of posting Mr P Kesavamurthy B A LL B to Davangere and Mr T Rudraradhya to Shimoga as Chief Officers of the respective Municipalities and I confirm the letter addressed in reply thereto by Mr D C Subbarayappa on the 14th idem I have fully pointed out in my letter of 23rd December 1927 why I wanted Mr Kesavamurthy to be posted here The Shimoga Town needs an experienced Revenue Officer and I therefore specially selected Mr Kesavamurthy and my selection has been kindly approved by Government I request that no change need be made again

Yours sincerely

Immediate

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District

Dated Shimoga 20th February 1928

From

B T Kesavaiengar Esq B A

Deputy Commissioner

Shimoga District

To

R Ranga Rao Esq B A B L

General Secretary to Government

Bangalore

Sir

Adverting to Government Order No L 3911-30/Ml 70-27-11 dated the 6th January 1928 directing the posting of Mr H Kesava Murthy Deputy Amildar as Chief Officer of the Shimoga Town Municipality I have the honour to state as follows --

The proposal of the Municipal Council as resolved at their meeting held on 18th July 1927 was for the appointment of a Chief Revenue Officer of the status of an Amildar for attending to work of revising the taxes collecting the arrears and controlling the arrangements for recovering the Octroi Revenue and that he should be the Chief Executive Officer of the Municipality But Government in their Order No L 2602-5/Ml 70-27-6 dated 11th November 1927 approving of the above proposal have accorded sanction to the entertainment of a Chief Officer instead of a Chief Revenue Officer The distinction between the two designations (viz Chief Officer and Chief Revenue Officer) is important in as much as the Chief Officer is invested with certain statutary powers specified in Chapt XIII of the Municipal Regulation whereas the appointment of a Chief Revenue Officer is not contemplated in the said Regulation and his activities have to be strictly confined to the revenue work of the Municipality Whether in view of the defenite recommendation of the Municipal Council to have a Chief Revenue Officer the Chief Officer appointed by Govern-

ment is merely a Chief Revenue Officer or a Chief Officer as defined in the Regulation has to be made clear and I therefore solicit instructions of Government in the matter

2 The distinction between a Chief Officer and Chief Revenue Officer is important from the point of view of General Election to the Municipal Council which is proposed to be held on 26th March 1928 In the revised Election Rules issued under Govt , Order No L 3850/ML 231-27-1 dated 3rd January 1928, "Returning Officer" in the case of Town Municipalities having a Chief Officer, is the Chief Officer of the Municipality concerned If the Chief Officer appointed by the Shimoga Town Municipality is to be considered merely as a Chief Revenue Officer he cannot be permitted to exercise the functions of a Returning Officer This aspect of the question was discussed at the meeting of the Municipal Council held on 30th January 1928 and though no resolution was recorded on the issue, the sense of the Council was that the present Chief Officer is only a Chief Revenue Officer and as such he cannot be appointed as "Returning Officer"

3 Under these circumstances, pending Orders of Government on this issue, I have decided to be the Returning Officer myself for the purposes of the ensuing general elections

4 At the Municipal meeting held on 30th January 1928 one or two Councillors raised the issue that with the appointment of a Chief Officer for the Municipality there would be very little work left for the Vice President to do I am not able to see the force of this arguement as there are other Municipalities where there are both Chief Officers and non-official Vice Presidents The term of the present Council will expire on 30th April 1928 and till then, the Chief Officer's duties will have to be confined to the Revenue work of the Municipality and later on when the reconstituted Council comes into existence, the question as to whether the Municipal Council should have a Chief Officer or only a Revenue Officer may be referred to it for consideration In my own opinion, I consider that a Chief Officer is very necessary for

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this Municipality to carry on efficiently the administrative work of the Municipal Council

5 Mr T Kesava Murthy has been asked to attend to the Revenue work of the Municipality and to the work of revision of the taxes till orders of Government are received on the above points

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,

Shimoga District

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SUBJECT ...

Section ml
File No. 70-27
Serial No. 16

Diary No. of letter replied to ...

No. L 5878

General and Revenue Secretariat
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To The D.C. Bhamo

Date of issue 24-3-28

Signed by for S.T.K.S. Iyer

Sir,

With reference to your letter no A-3 P L 181/26-29 dated 20 2 28 requesting to be informed in what capacity Mr. N Kesavamurthi is appointed as Chief Officer or Chief Revenue Officer, to the Bhamo Valley I am directed to state that he is appointed as Chief Officer & that it is open to you to decide whether he may be made a Returning Officer or vested as you may consider fit.

I have the honour etc

for Secy to Govt

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Letter No A 3 Pl 121/26-27 dated the 20th February 1928 asking for certain instructions in regard to the appointment of Mr Kesavamurthi

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Order No L

Dated, Bangalore the

It is stated that though the Municipal Council recommended the appointment of a Chief Revenue Officer, the Government have sanctioned a Chief Officer and as the Municipal Council felt some doubt in the matter in regard to the ensuing Municipal Council elections and was inclined to consider that the present Chief Officer is only a Chief Revenue Officer, the Deputy Commissioner has decided to be Returning Officer himself for the purpose

With regard to the above, it is to be stated that though the appointment of Mr Kesavamurthi was meant to be as " Chief Officer Government do not see any objection to the course adopted by the Deputy Commissioner

The Deputy Commissioner states that as the term of the present Council will expire on 30th April 1928, the Chief Officer's duties will have to be confined to the Revenue work of the Municipality and the question as to whether the Council should have a Chief Officer or only a Revenue Officer may be referred to the reconstituted Council for consideration though he considers

that a Chief Officer would be necessary

His further report in the matter will be awaited

7/3 for General Secretary to Govt

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga Dt